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LOCAL DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE TO CLOSE NEXT WEEK

~ Bay County Tax Collector offices continue to offer driver license services ~

PANAMA CITY - The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles announces upcoming changes to your local driver license office. The state-operated driver license office, located at 237 West 15th St., Panama City, FL 32401, will close its doors on Sept. 23, 2011, at 5 p.m.

Bay County Tax Collector Peggy Brannon already provides full driver license services at 17109 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach, FL 32413.

"The Department recently partnered with Bay County Tax Collector Brannon to handle driver license services and for many years to provide motor vehicle services," said Division of Motorist Services Director Sandra Lambert. "Her efforts to issue driver licenses and identification cards and to expand those services will ensure motorists in the area continue to receive those services in convenient locations."

"Before coming to an office, customers are encouraged to check out the website, www.GoRenew.com," Bay County Tax Collector Brannon added. "It is possible customers can skip the trip to an office completely, and using this website will let them know what their options are. When an office visit is necessary, we encourage our customers to make sure they have all the appropriate documents and paperwork, if needed."

Motorists can prepare for their next trip to obtain a new or renewed driver license or ID card by visiting www.GatherGoGet.com. Florida requires certain documents, so visit the website to ensure you have everything you need before you make the trip. The Department has a Gather.Go.Get.Facebook page, where customers can submit questions or comments.

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